

Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals / Office of Aging and Adult Services

# LT-PCS

**Long Term Personal Care Services Program** 

# **What are Long Term-Personal Care Services?**

Long Term-Personal Care Services Program provides help with activities of daily living for persons who qualify for assistance under the program guidelines. Examples of assistance include:

| Help with:                                     | Other Services:  |
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| <ul><li>Eating</li><li>Bathing</li></ul>       | <ul><li>Light Housekeeping</li><li>Preparing and storing meals</li></ul>           |
| <ul><li>Dressing</li><li>Grooming</li></ul>    | <ul><li> Grocery Shopping</li><li> Laundry</li></ul>                               |
| <ul><li>Transferring</li><li>Walking</li></ul> | <ul><li>Reminders about Medicines</li><li>Help with Medical Appointments</li></ul> |
| • Toileting                                    | <ul> <li>Help finding transportation for medical appointments</li> </ul>           |

| This kind of help is not covered:   | These services are not covered:  |
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| <ul> <li>Specialized or skilled nursing.</li> <li>Giving medicine</li> <li>Rehabilitative services</li> <li>Specialized aide services</li> <li>Help that is already being given by family or others in the community or through another assistance program</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Cleaning areas of the home that the applicant does not stay in</li> <li>Food preparation or laundry for anyone other than the applicant</li> <li>Companionship</li> <li>Sitter services</li> <li>Supervision not related to activities of daily living</li> </ul> |

### Who qualifies for Long Term-Personal Care Services? (LT-PCS)

People who receive Medicaid benefits AND

- Are 65 years old or older, OR
- Are 21 years old or older with a disability that meets the Social Security Administration definition of disability

## Additional requirements include:

- Meet Nursing Facility Level of Care, AND
- Require at least limited assistance with one Activity of Daily Living, AND
- Be able to direct their care independently or through a responsible representative, AND

## **Meet ONE** of the following:

- Be in a nursing facility and be able to be discharged if community-based services were available; OR
- Be likely to require nursing facility admission within the next 120 days; **OR**
- Have a primary care-giver who has a disability or who is at least 70 years old.

If you receive Medicaid and want to find out more about Long-Term-Personal Care Services, call the Louisiana Options in Long Term Care Help Line at 1-877-456-1146 (TDD 1-877-544-9544). You can call Monday thru Friday between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

The call is free.